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Delta Conservancy Seeks Public Comment on Interim Strategic Plan

WEST SACRAMENTO – The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy is seeking the public's comments regarding its interim strategic plan. Deadline for public comments is 5 p.m. Tuesday, February 1, 2011. Written comments should be sent to the Conservancy's offices at 3500 Industrial Blvd., West Sacramento, 95691 or to nancy.ullrey@deltaconservancy.ca.gov.

A copy of the public review version is available at the Conservancy's website at www.deltaconservancy.ca.gov or by calling 916-375-2084. When submitting comments, please include the page and line number for each suggested change or comment.

The interim plan, developed by members of the Conservancy's board and staff, contains the Conservancy's vision, mission, and proposed goals, objectives, and near-term strategies. The document also includes information about the Conservancy and the Delta region in general.

The interim strategic plan serves as the transition document and the foundation for the Conservancy's final strategic plan, which will be completed within the next two years.

The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy is a state agency within the California Natural Resources Agency. It was established on February 3, 2010, as a result of the

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The Conservancy leads the efforts in collaboration and cooperation with local communities and others to preserve, protect and restore the natural resources, economy, and agriculture of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and Suisun Marsh, with a particular emphasis on agriculture. Our vision is a set of programs that demonstrate the complexity of economic and environmental objectives, resulting in a rich, diverse, restored, and accessible Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and Suisun Marsh

Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy Act of 2009 (Chapter 5, Statutes of 2009).

The Conservancy is the primary state agency to implement ecosystem restoration in the Delta in collaboration and cooperation with local governments and interested parties. In addition the Conservancy is to lead efforts that advance both environmental protection and the economic well-being of Delta residents in a complementary manner. These are the Conservancy's co-equal responsibilities.

The co-equal responsibilities of ecosystem restoration and economic sustainability in the Delta are at the heart of the Conservancy's mission:

"Working in collaboration and cooperation with local communities, the Conservancy will lead efforts and establish partnerships to protect, preserve, enhance, and restore the Delta's environment, agriculture and working landscapes, heritage, property, regional economy, and increase opportunities for tourism and environmental education for the benefit of the Delta region, its communities, and the citizens of California."

The Conservancy's governing board has 23 members, including representatives of the five counties that border the Delta. Contra Costa Supervisor Mary Piepho is the board's chair, and San Joaquin County Supervisor Ken Vogel is the vice-chair. State Senator Lois Wolk (D, District 5) is the ex-offico member appointed by the State Senate.

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